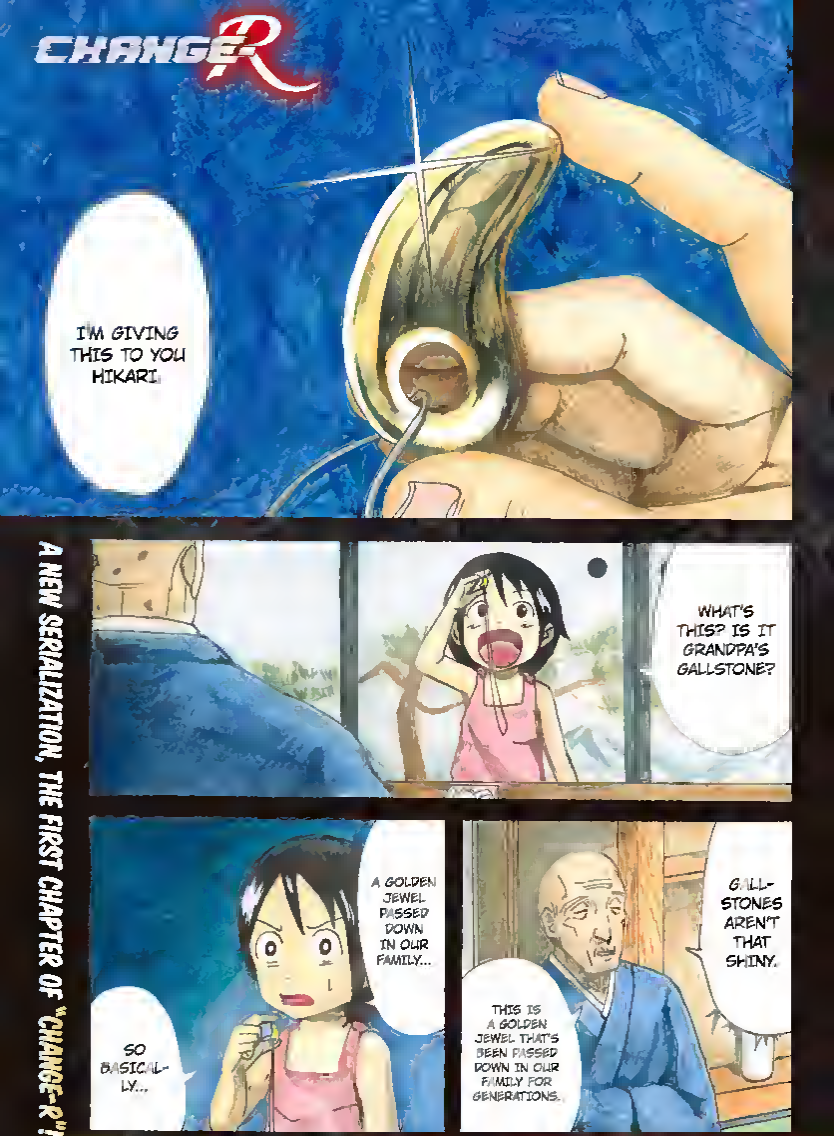
CHANGE-R
I'M GIVING THIS TO YOU HIKARI.
WHAT'S THIS? IS IT GRANDPA'S GALLSTONE?
A GOLDEN JEWEL PASSED DOWN IN OUR FAMILY...
SO BASICALLY...
GALLSTONES AREN'T THAT SHINY.
THIS IS A GOLDEN JEWEL THAT'S BEEN PASSED DOWN IN OUR FAMILY FOR GENERATIONS.
A NEW SERIALIZATION, THE FIRST CHAPTER OF "CHANGE-R"!
THIS JEWEL WILL TURN THE GIRL INTO THE CULPRIT OF AN UNPRECEDENTED MURDER CASE!

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NITO UENO
CHANGE-R

CHAPTER 1 - HIKARI AND GRANDPA

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CHANGER

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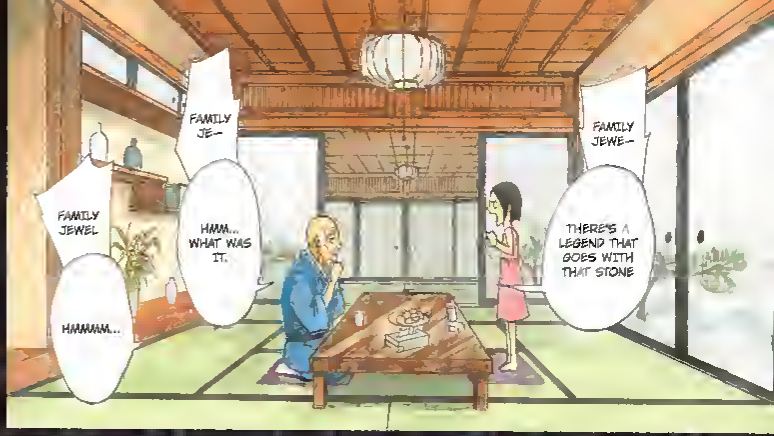
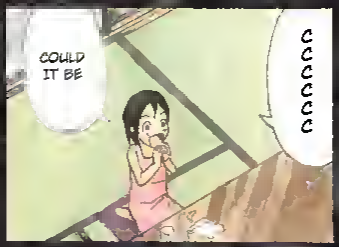
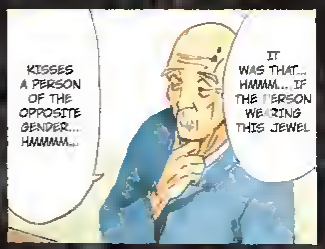
LIFE IS FILLED WITH LOVE AND LAUGHTER, BUT THERE ARE ALSO TRAGEDIES THAT TURN EVERYTHING TO NAUGHT.

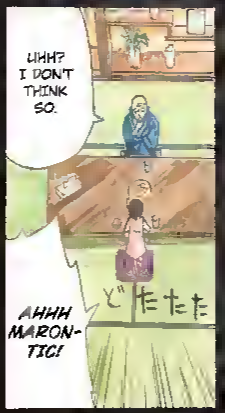
A YOUNG GIRL FALLS TO HELL IN AN INSTANT.

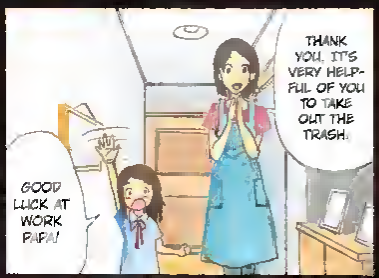
THIS IS NITO UENO'S NEW CRIME ACTION STORY!









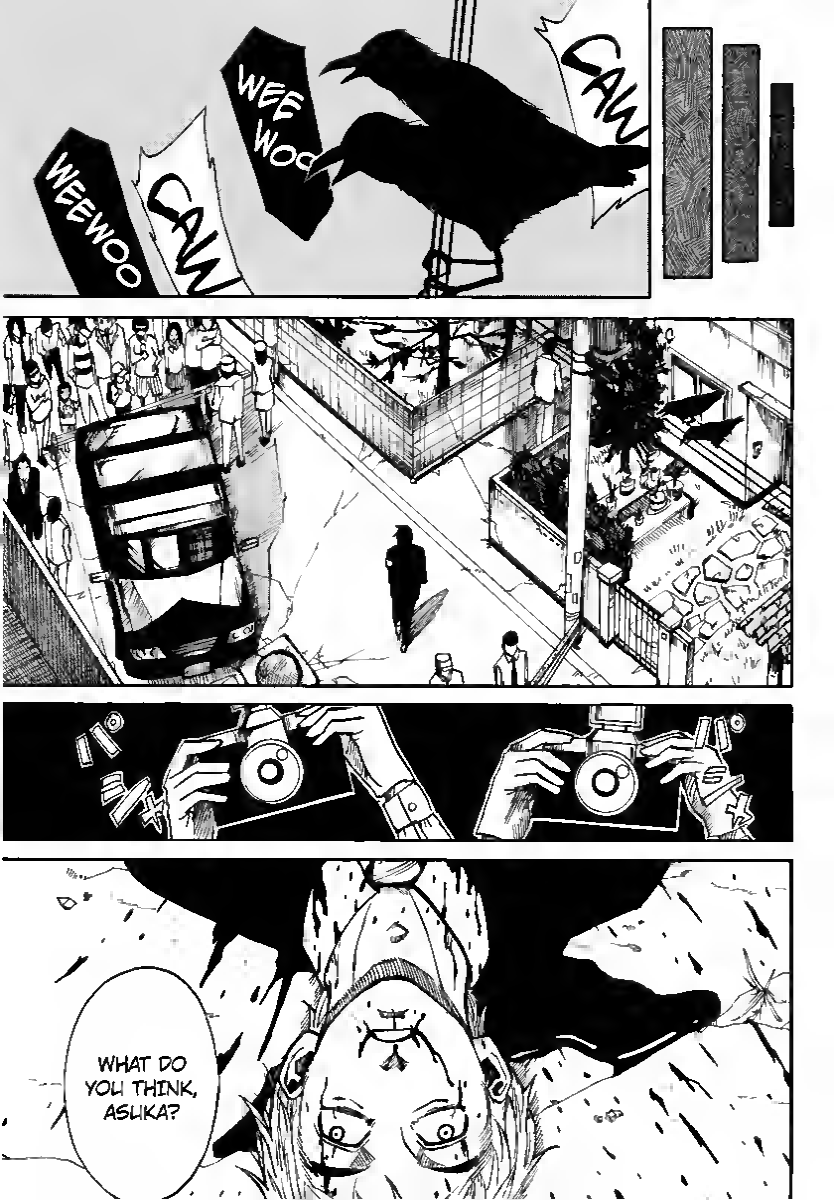


12 YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE HIKARI RECEIVED THE JEWEL.

ARE YOU OKAY?
YEA EVERYTHING JUST FELL OUT OF MY BAG
!
UM...
IS THAT MAYBE A..
I'LL HELP
THANK YOU SO MUCH

A GUIT-AR?
I USED TO PLAY ONE IN A BAND
BUT WHY DOES THAT GUITAR HAVE NO STRINGS?
WELL
THAT'S BECAUSE

FORMER ASSASSIN "OTHELLO"...
NO...
TAKASHI MIZUHARA
IT'S TO KILL YOU.


WEE WOO
CAW
WEE WOO
CAW
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WHAT DO YOU THINK, ASUKA?

HE'S MY TYPE.
I WONDER IF IT WAS OUT OF GRUDGE
SLICED IN HALF WITH A JAPANESE SWORD
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT
I'M SO SORRY, I'M LATE!!
YOU'RE SLOW SHIN-DO!!

AND OF COURSE IT HAS PULP!
IF YOU THINK I'LL FORGIVE YOU WITH THIS, YOU'RE MISTAKEN
HERE
おーい おれんじ
CAN TASTY ORANGE...JUICE (WITH PULP)
AHH-HH
PHEW. I'M SAVED
THE VICTIM IS TAKASHI MIZUHARA, 35, AN OFFICE WORKER
HE LIVED WITH HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER.

WHY DO GOOD PEOPLE ALWAYS GET MURDERED?
IT'S FINE. YOU WON'T DIE.
ACCORDING TO NEIGHBORS, HE WAS A GREAT PERSON AND THAT THERE SHOULD'VE BEEN NO REASON TO KILL HIM
WHAT?!
EVEN THOUGH IT'S RUSH HOUR?!
AND THERE ARE NO WITNESSES.
THE VICTIM WAS USING THIS ALLEY TO GO TO THE DUMPSTER.
WHAT?
OVER THERE
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITHOUT A WITNESS!!
NO THERE IS A WITNESS

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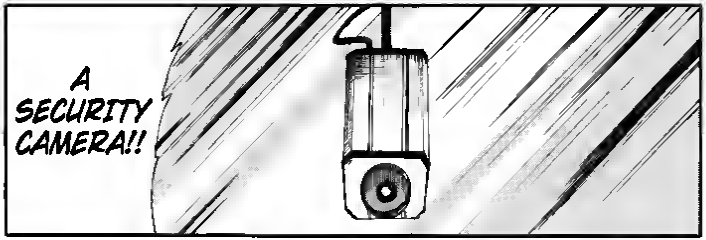
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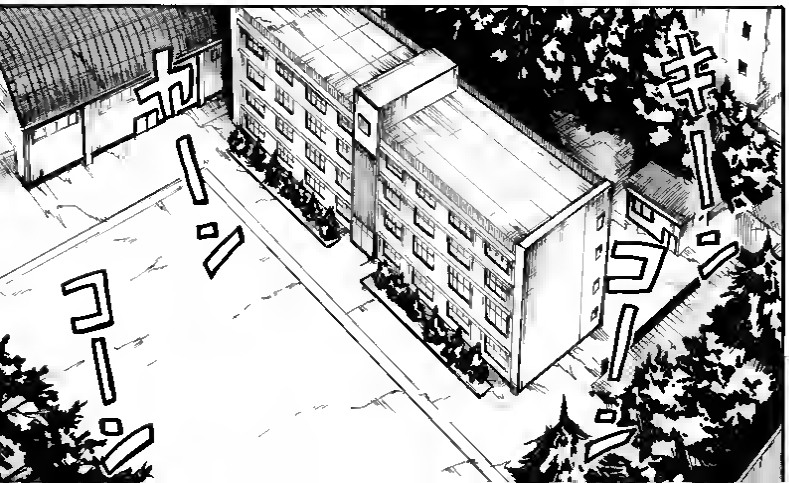
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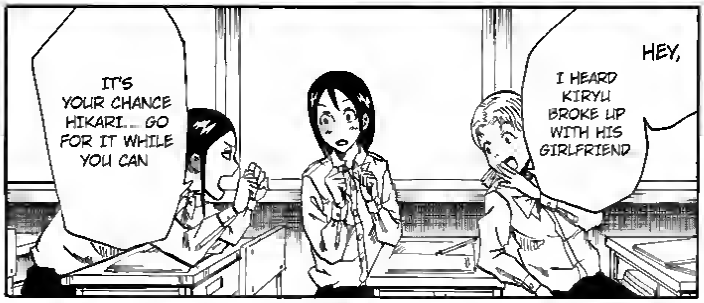
UH
THE "TORIKAE-BAYA MONOGATARI",
UH
WAS WRITTEN DURING THE HEIAN PERIOD,
UH
BY AN UNKNOWN AUTHOR.


HEY,
I HEARD KIRYU BROKE UP WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND
IT'S YOUR CHANCE HIKARI... GO FOR IT WHILE YOU CAN

BU-BUT I DIDN'T GET A RESPONSE FROM HIM LAST VALENTINES.

YOU GIRLS ARE MEAN!
UM... THEN HAYAKAWA
HE WAS THROWING UP AFTER EATING THAT.
THAT'S BECAUSE.. YOUR CHOCOLATE WAS HORRIBLE!
TORIKAEBAYA
NOT "HUH?".
WHAT KIND OF STORY IS THIS
HUH?
HIKARI.. STOP IT WITH THAT HABIT OF YOURS
IT'S WEIRD
UMM-MM
GOT IT!

A REALLY INTER-ESTING STORY!!
ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME?
UH, AND THIS IS HOW THE STORY ENDS.
UHHH
UH
UH, THIS..
IS A STORY WHERE THEY CHANGE THE GENDER OF A PERSON
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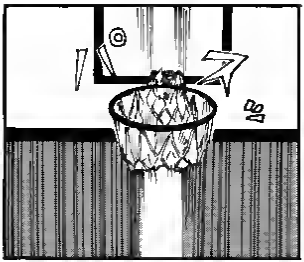

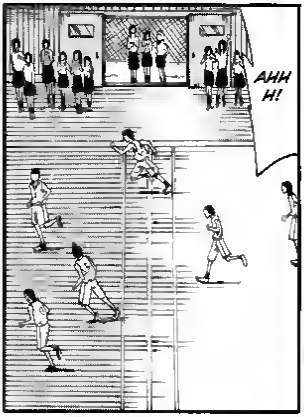
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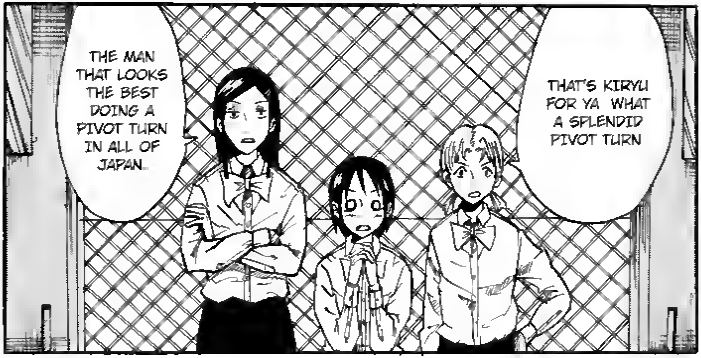
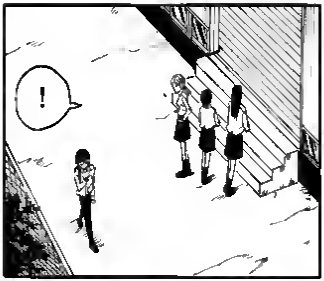

THE MAN THAT LOOKS THE BEST DOING A PIVOT TURN IN ALL OF JAPAN...
THAT'S KIRYU FOR YA WHAT A SPLENDID PIVOT TURN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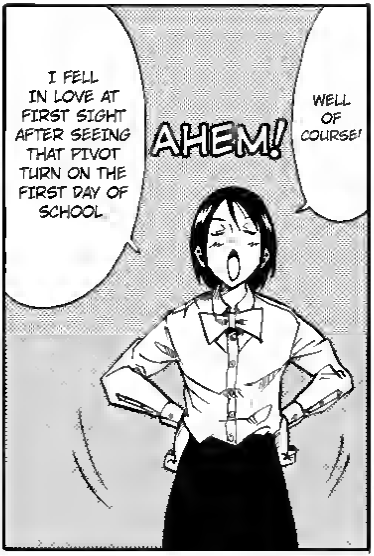
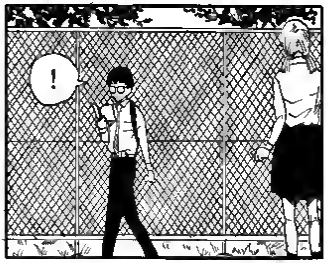

I FELL IN LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT AFTER SEEING THAT PIVOT TURN ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
AHEM!
WELL OF COURSE!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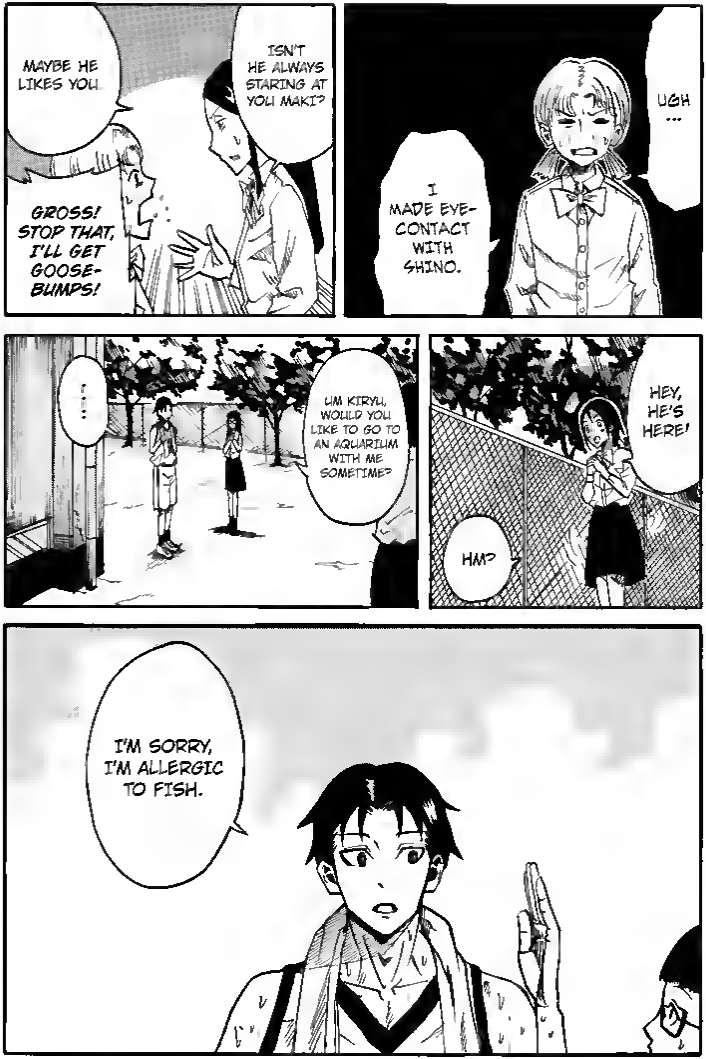
ISN'T HE ALWAYS STARING AT YOU MAKI?
MAYBE HE LIKES YOU.
GROSS! STOP THAT, I'LL GET GOOSE-BUMPS!
UGH ...
I MADE EYE-CONTACT WITH SHINO.
...
UM KIRYU, WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO TO AN AQUARIUM WITH ME SOMETIME?
HEY, HE'S HERE!
HM?
I'M SORRY, I'M ALLERGIC TO FISH.

I DON'T THINK I CAN DO IT.
THAT DOESN'T MATTER! GO HI-KARI!!
THAT'S OUR PRESI-DENT RIGHT?
THAT'S KIRYU FOR YOU. WHAT A COOL WAY TO REJECT SOMEONE.
AH.
KI KIKIKI KIR..Y.. UU..
U UU. U MMM.
SUP HIKARI.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO TO AN AMUSEMENT PARK WITH ME SOME OTHER TIME?
I GOT TICK-ETS!
...I'M SORRY
I'M ALLERGIC TO MERRY-GO-ROUNDS
WHAT THE FUCK IS THAT?!
I'D REJECT SOMEONE ELSE LIKE THAT BUT...
I KNEW IT...
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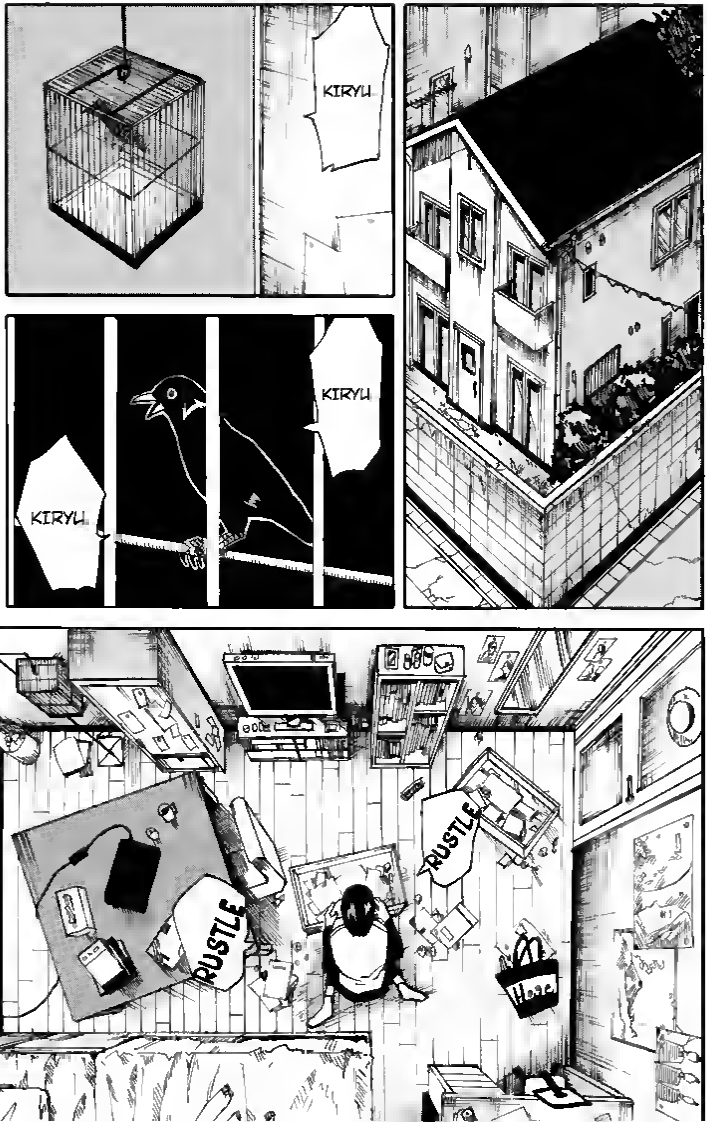
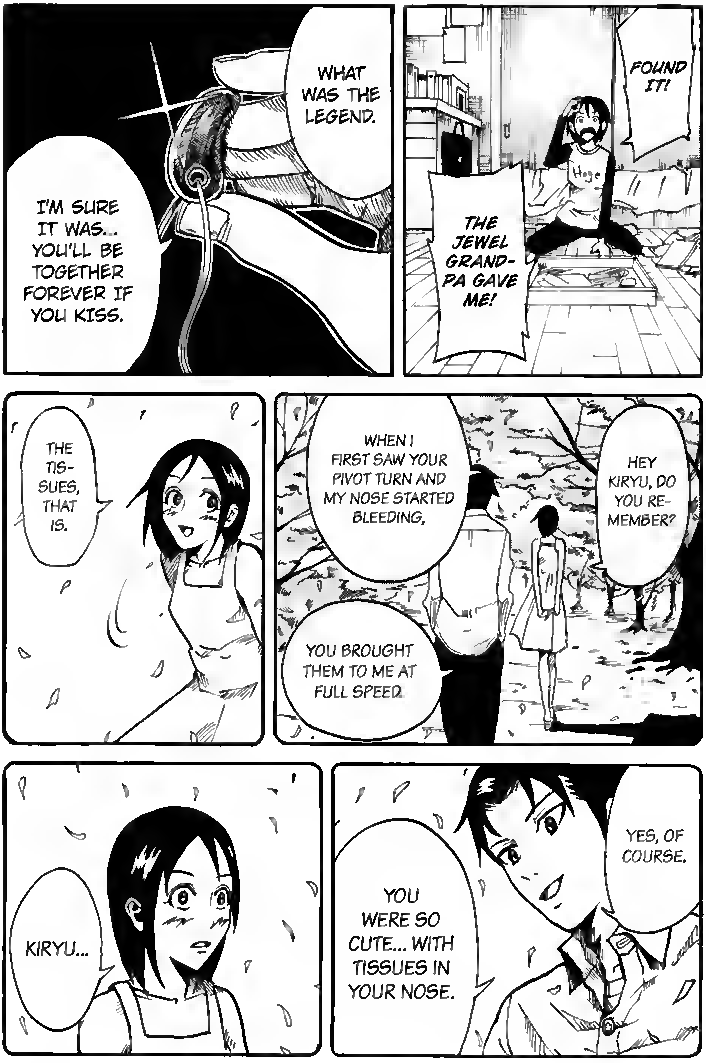
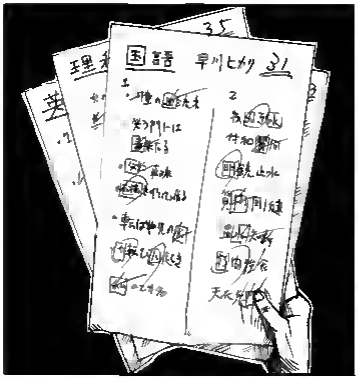
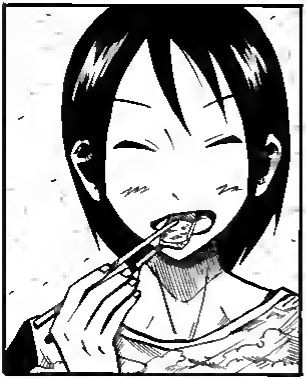
I'LL GO.
EH
EH
EH
EH
I FORGOT TO TELL YOU, BUT THE CHOCOLATES YOU GAVE ME WERE DELICIOUS
I'LL GO WITH YOU TO SHOW MY GRATITUDE
YESSSSSSS!


KIRYU
KIRYU
KIRYU
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
Hoop

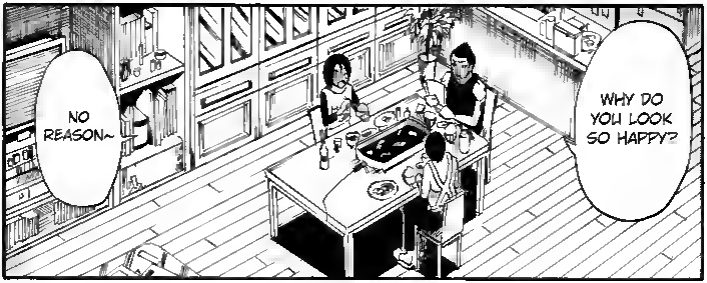

WHAT WAS THE LEGEND.
I'M SURE IT WAS... YOU'LL BE TOGETHER FOREVER IF YOU KISS.
FOUND IT!
THE JEWEL GRAND-PA GAVE ME!
THE TIS-SUES, THAT IS.
WHEN I FIRST SAW YOUR PIVOT TURN AND MY NOSE STARTED BLEEDING,
YOU BROUGHT THEM TO ME AT FULL SPEED.
HEY KIRYU, DO YOU RE-MEMBER?
KIRYU...
YOU WERE SO CUTE... WITH TISSUES IN YOUR NOSE.
YES, OF COURSE.

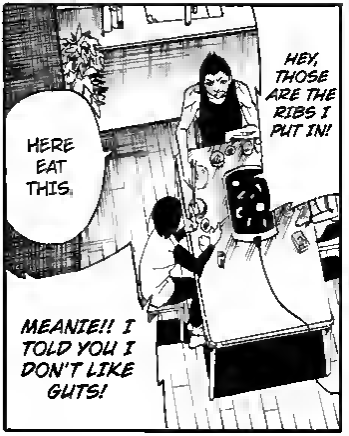
I ABSO-LUTELY MUST WEAR THIS ONE!
THAT COULD SO HAP-PEN!
YES YES YES YES!



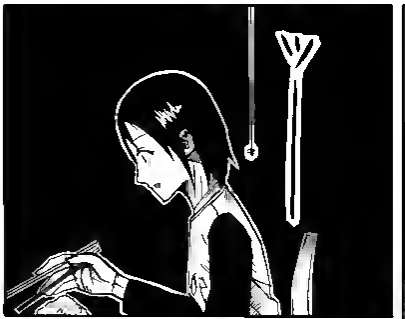


BARELY GOT OUT OF FAILING GRADES AGAIN.
BUT


NO REASON~
WHY DO YOU LOOK SO HAPPY?


HEY, THOSE ARE THE RIBS I PUT IN!
HERE EAT THIS.
MEANIE!! I TOLD YOU I DON'T LIKE GUTS!

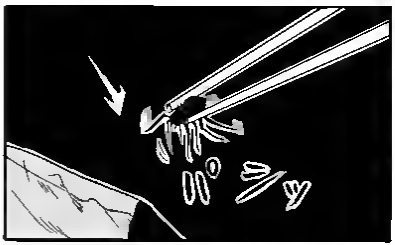
YOUR DREAM IS TO BECOME A NURSE RIGHT?
IF YOU STAY LIKE THIS, NOT EVEN A HORRIBLE DOCTOR WILL WANT TO HIRE YOU!

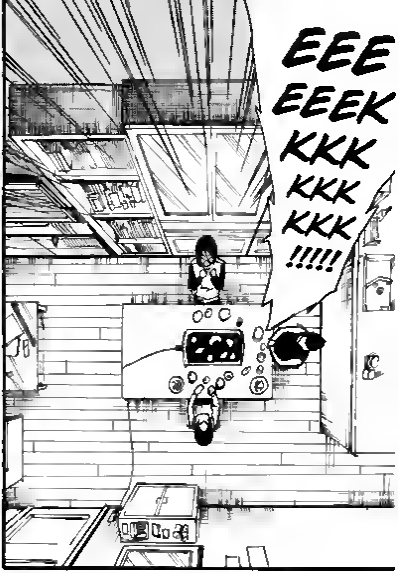


LAND
!
Hoge

DARLING, PLEASE STOP.
Cooking
FINE

SOME-
ONE GET
IT OFF!
Hope

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EEEK
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KKK
KKK
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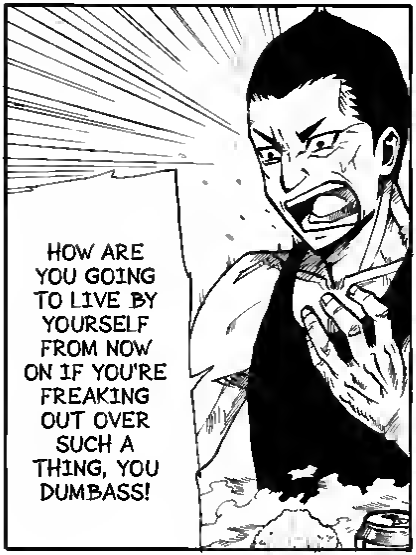
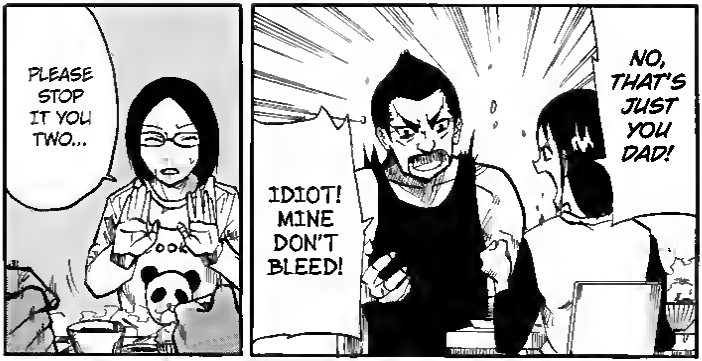

HOW ARE
YOU GOING
TO LIVE BY
YOURSELF
FROM NOW
ON IF YOU'RE
FREAKING
OUT OVER
SUCH A
THING, YOU
DUMBASS!

IT'S
JUST A
LITTLE
SPIDER.

THAT'S OKAY BECAUSE A PRINCE LIKE A WHITE HORSE WILL COME SAVE ME!
WHAT?! DOES HE HAVE A HORSE FACE?! DON'T YOU MEAN "A PRINCE ON A WHITE HORSE"?!
EVEN IF THERE WERE SOMEONE LIKE THAT, HE'D STINK OUT OF HIS MOUTH, HAVE ATHLETE'S FOOT AND BLEEDING HEMOR-RHOIDS.
THAT'S WHAT REALITY IS!!
AND THAT DOESN'T EVEN MATTER!
YES IT DOES!!

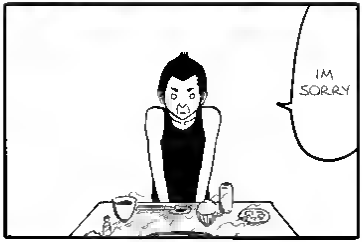

PLEASE STOP IT YOU TWO...
IDIOT! MINE DON'T BLEED!
NO, THAT'S JUST YOU DAD!

LIFE IS 90% BITTERNESS.
THAT'S WHY WE ALL DRINK.
YOU'RE OVERLOOKING EVERYTHING
LIFE IS FULL OF UNCERTAINTIES.
IT'S ALL CONTROLLED BY UNPREDICTABLE THINGS
TERRORISM, WAR, NATURAL DISASTERS, DISEASE, DEPRESSION, ACCIDENTS, ETC...

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND THE PAIN OF HEMORRHOIDS!!
……
……
SHUT UP, LET THOSE HEMORRHOIDS BLEED ALREADY!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
ヒュー
CRASH

SHUT UP.

THAT WAS UNPRE-DICT-ABLE...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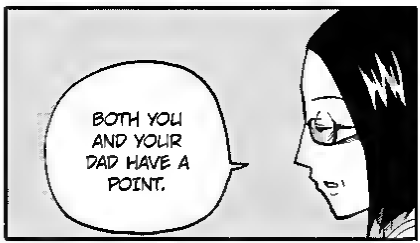
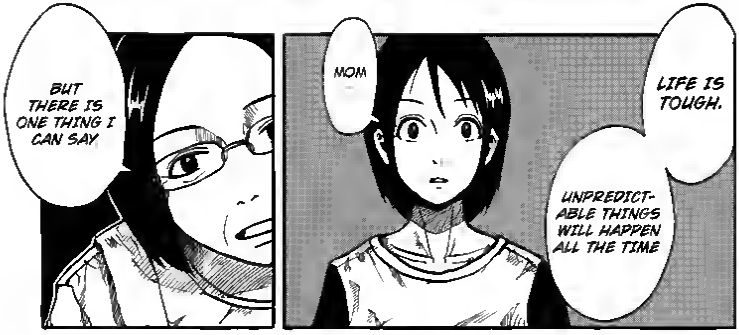
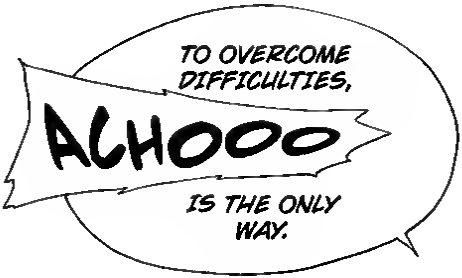
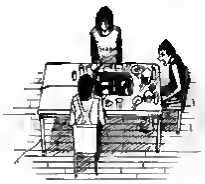

BOTH YOU AND YOUR DAD HAVE A POINT.

HIKARI LISTEN


BUT THERE IS ONE THING I CAN SAY.
MOM
LIFE IS TOUGH.
UNPREDICT-ABLE THINGS WILL HAPPEN ALL THE TIME


TO OVERCOME DIFFICULTIES,
ACHOOO
IS THE ONLY WAY.



NEXT UP, THE NEWS
THIS MORNING THERE WAS A MURDER CASE IN OZORA TOWN
DAR-LING.
I'M SORRY
THE POLICE HAVE IDENTIFIED THE CRIMINAL FROM SECURITY FOOTAGE.
SONY
AND HAVE PLACED A FUGITIVE WARRANT THROUGH ALL OF JAPAN.
7News
凶悪殺人犯
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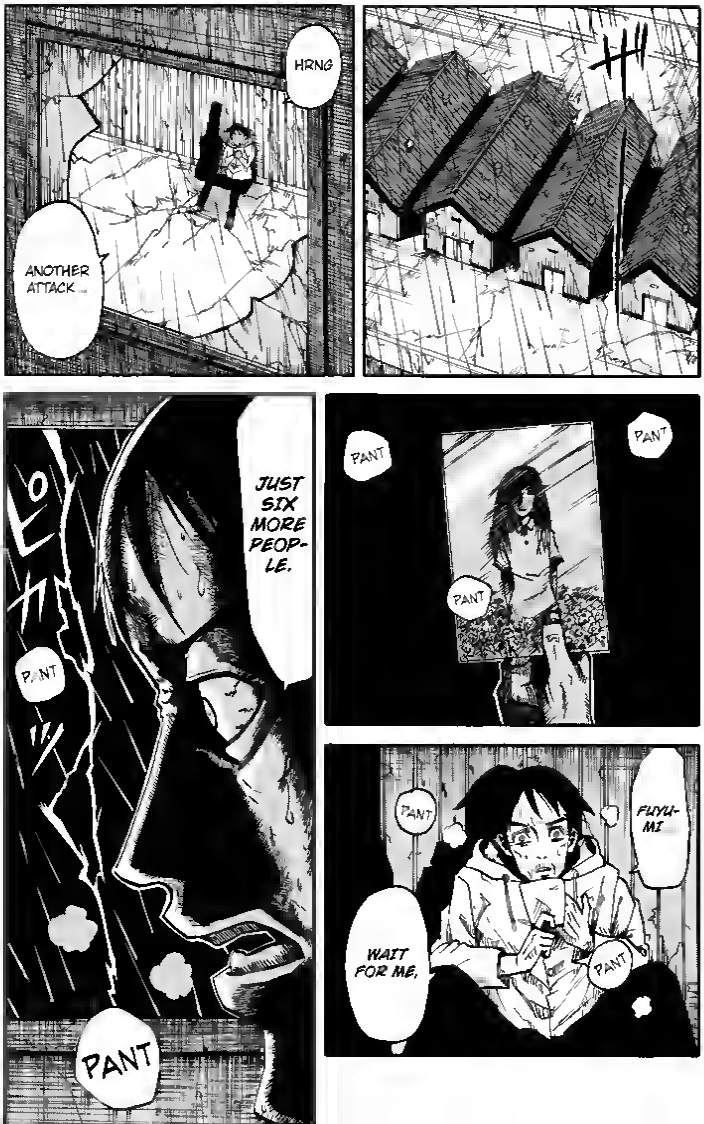
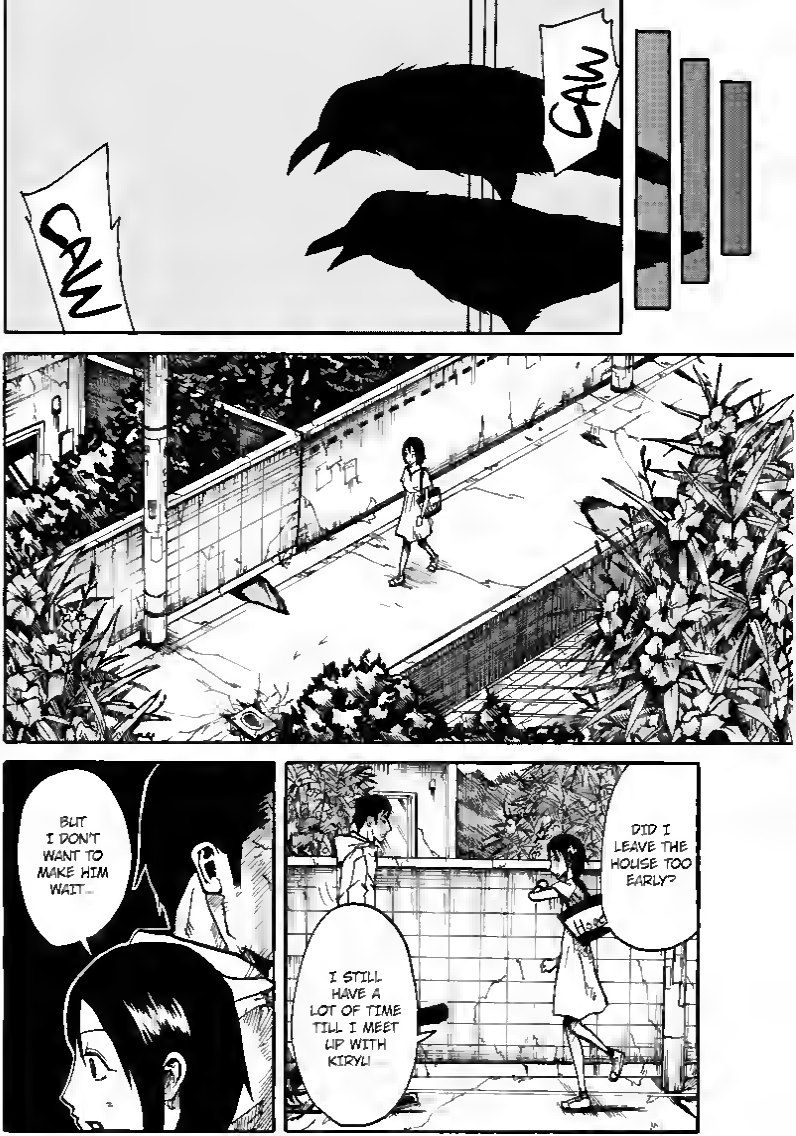

HRNG
ANOTHER ATTACK...
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
FUYU-MI
PANT
WAIT FOR ME,
PANT
JUST SIX MORE PEOP-LE.
PANT
PANT


CAW
CAW
DID I LEAVE THE HOUSE TOO EARLY?
I STILL HAVE A LOT OF TIME TILL I MEET UP WITH KIRYL!
BUT I DON'T WANT TO MAKE HIM WAIT...

HUH?
SIX MORE PEOPLE
?
ARE YOU OKAY SIR?
PANT
PANT
PANT
YEA, JUST A CHRONIC DISEASE.
HRG.
PANT

CALM DOWN
CALM DOWN
SOME-BODY!
SOME-BODY!
キョロ
キョロ
HUH
H-HOLD ON
HE'S NOT BREATH-ING...
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT! HOLD ON SIR!
HOLD THE NOSE...
AT TIMES LIKE THIS, RAISE THE CHIN,

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HUH?
WHY AM I THERE?

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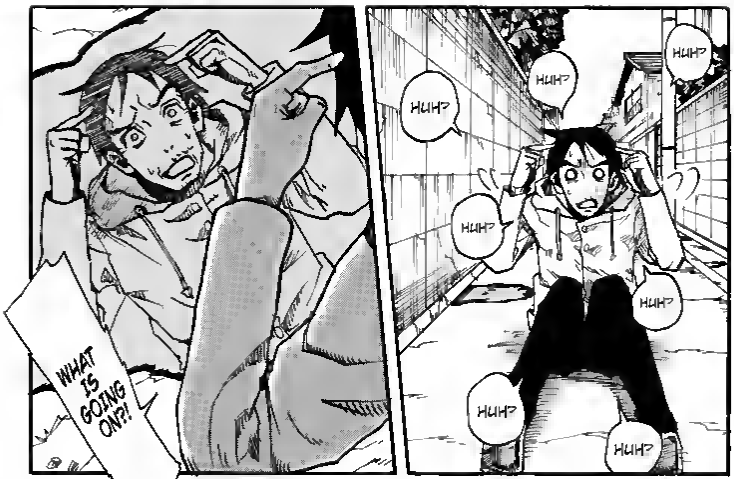
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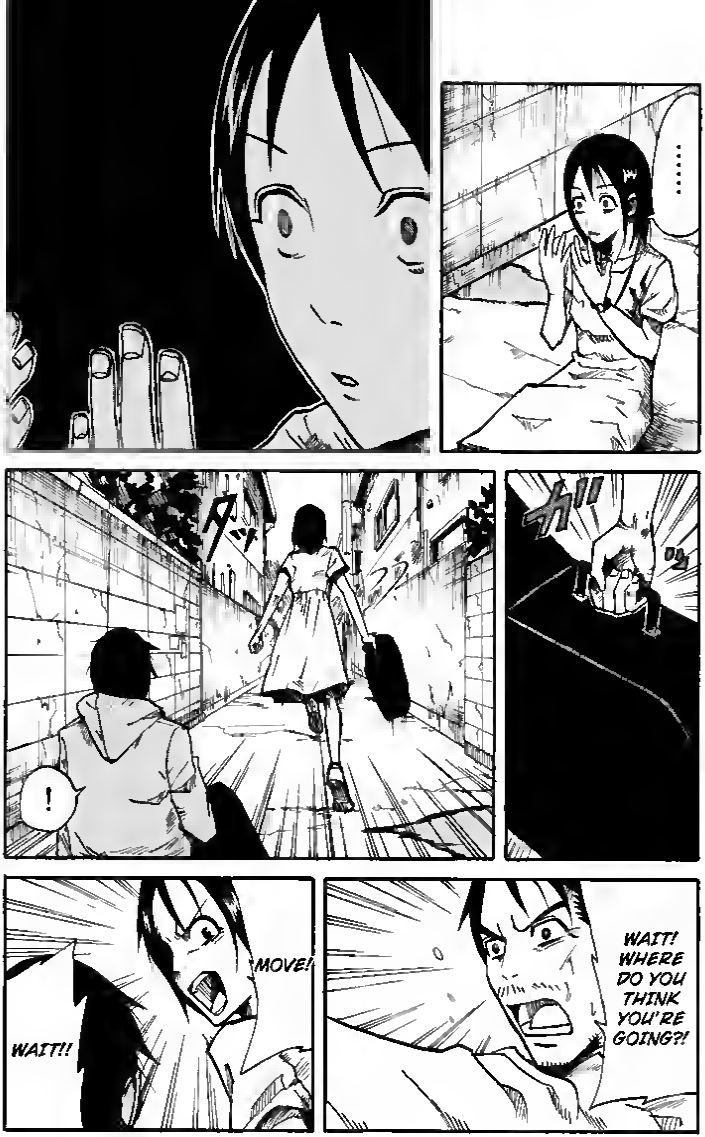
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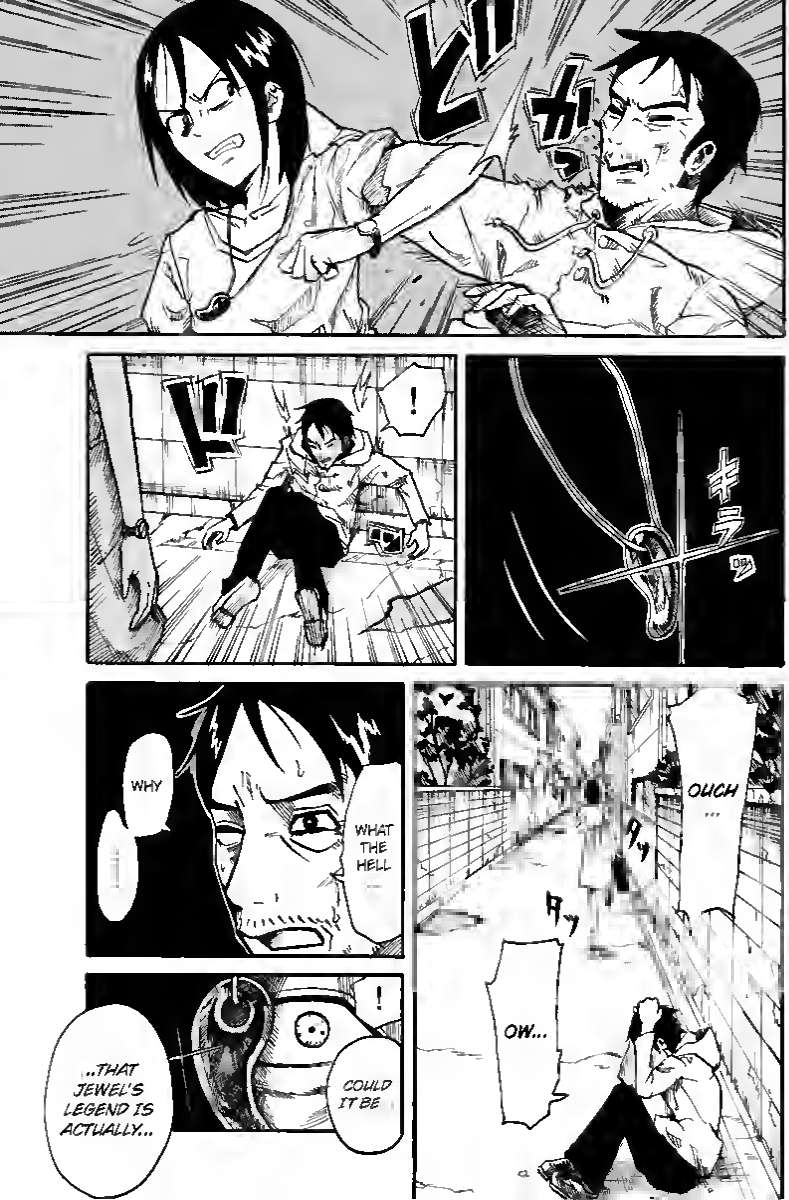
WAIT!!
MOVE!
WAIT! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?!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WHAT THE HELL
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COULD IT BE
..THAT JEWEL'S LEGEND IS ACTUALLY...
OUCH ...
OW...

THAT YOU SWITCH BODIES?!
THIS IS A JOKE RIGHT?
THIS...
IT...
CAN'T BE...
WHY WHY
WHY WHY WHY

SNIFF
SNIFF
SCRATCH
I'M AN OLD MAN...
AND WORST OF ALL,
HOBO
SOB
SOB
WHAT AM I GOING TO DO...

SIX MORE PEOPLE.
I'LL DEFI-NITELY KILL THEM.
WHAT IS GOING ON.
OH WELL.
THIS MUST BE THE GUID-ANCE OF GOD.
WHY IS EV-ERYONE STARING AT ME?
BECAUSE I'M AN OLD MAN?
I'M NOT THAT BALD RIGHT?
!
SOB
WHAT DO I DO
WHAT AM I SUP-POSED TO DO?
SOB.

I GOT IT!
HM... DOESN'T THAT LOOK LIKE SOME-ONE I KNOW?
IT LOOKS LIKE ME!
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ARE YOU KID-DING ME?!
HUH?
THEY'RE LOOKING FOR ME FOR A CRIME?!!
WAIT... DOES THAT MEAN ...

YES I HAVE
HAVE YOU SEEN THIS PERSON?
EXCUSE ME CAN I GET A MARL-BORO?
SHOC-KED
I SAW HIM ON TV.
REAL-LY?!
IT LOOKS LIKE ME
I GOT IT!

HEY THAT PERSON
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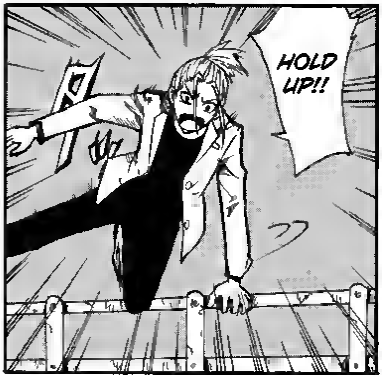
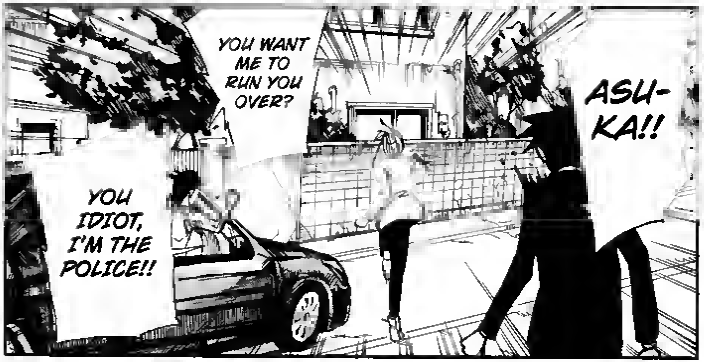
WHAT'S THAT PERSON
COULD IT BE SHE NOTICED?!


HOLD UP!!


YOU WANT ME TO RUN YOU OVER?
ASU-KA!!
YOU IDIOT, I'M THE POLICE!!

POLICE ?!
WHY...
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WHY!
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WHY DO I HAVE TO,
PANT
GO THROUGH SOME-THING LIKE THIS!!

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ARE YOU KID-DING ME?!
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STOP!
I'LL SHOOT!
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WHAT DO I DO...
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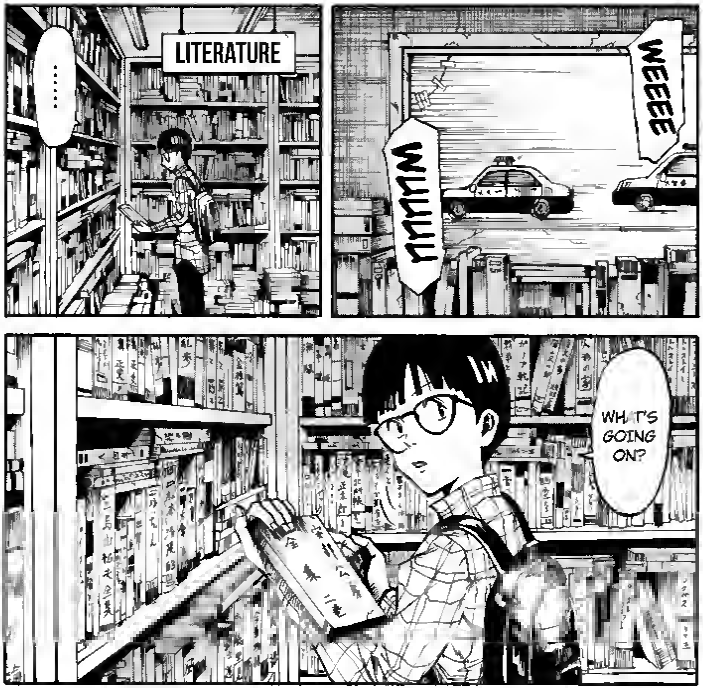

IF YOU CAN'T ESCAPE DISASTER, THEN GET RID OF IT!

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